

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A compressor assembly, comprising:
a compressor;

at least one pipe having ends and an intermediate portion between the ends, the at least one pipe being connected to the compressor at the ends; and

at least one support member for supporting the intermediate portion of the at least one pipe relative to the compressor, wherein the compressor has a base, and the at least one support member is connected to the base and the intermediate portion, and wherein the at least one pipe is arranged with at least the intermediate portion substantially parallel to the base and spaced vertically relative to the base, and wherein the at least one support member is connected to the intermediate portion of the at least one pipe.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently amended) ~~The assembly of claim 2~~ A compressor assembly, comprising:

a compressor;

at least one pipe having ends and an intermediate portion between the ends, the at least one pipe being connected to the compressor at the ends; and

at least one support member for supporting the intermediate portion of the at least one pipe relative to the compressor, wherein the compressor has a base, and the at least one support member is connected to the base and the intermediate portion, wherein the at least one pipe comprises a plurality of pipes arranged substantially parallel to the base and spaced vertically relative to the base, and wherein the at least one support member is connected to the intermediate portion of each of the plurality of pipes.

4. (Original) The assembly of claim 3, wherein the plurality of pipes are positioned at different distances from the compressor, and wherein the at least one support member has a pipe-facing surface which is stepped so as to correspond to the different distances.

5. (Original) The assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one support member comprises a plurality of support members connected to the intermediate portion at different locations.

6. (Original) The assembly of claim 1, further comprising at least one fastener for securing the intermediate portion to the at least one support member.

7. (Original) The assembly of claim 6, wherein the fastener is an adjustable band fastener connected to the at least one support member whereby intermediate portions of different size can be supported.

8. (Currently amended) A method for reducing vibration in pipes connected to compressors, comprising the steps of:

providing a compressor assembly having a compressor and at least one pipe each having ends and an intermediate portion extending between the ends, the at least one pipe being connected to the compressor at the ends; and

positioning a support member connected to the intermediate portion for supporting the intermediate portion relative to the compressor whereby vibration in the at least one pipe is reduced, wherein the compressor has a base, and the at least one support member is connected to the base and the intermediate portion, wherein the at least one pipe is arranged with at least the intermediate portion substantially parallel to the base and spaced vertically relative to the base, and wherein positioning step comprises connecting the at least one support member to the intermediate portion of the at least one pipe and to the base.